#### CHATTANOOGA, TENN., WEDNESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 22, 1920.

ANGRY CROWD

STORMS JAIL

## MANY KILLED IN **IRISH WARFARE**

British Troops and Police in Savage Tussle With Roving Sinn Feiners.

### LATTER ARE WELL ARMED

Fighting Over 8-Mile Front. Republicans Finally Beaten by Superior Numbers.

Dublin, Dec. 22,-(I, N. S.)-Heavy casualties have marked the savage guerrilla warfare between British the mountains of southwestern Ireland According to information from Tipperary today from fifteen to twenty ersons were killed in a violent en gagement that covered considerable gagement that covered considerable territory in that county. Fifteen of the republicans were reported to have been killed. The casualties of the crown forces were not officially announced at the time this dispatch was written, but it was known that Sergt. Walsh, of the Royal Irish constabulary, was shot and killed from ambush while leading re-inforcements to Mullinahome.

Sir Nevil MacReady, commander of the military forces, is combing the Tip-perary mountains in an effort to dis-trum all Sinn Feiners in that isolated shares. Scars-Roebuck rallied near points to 21. Chandler Motors recognized animunity. The mountain region of Apperary might be compared with the "wilds" of West Virginia. Kentucky or Tennessee. The republican bands operating in that region have secret bases of supplies and headquarters in the mountain fastnesses known only to themselves. As they have been lifelong residents of the district they know every nock and cranny of the mountains. It is easy for them to ambush detachments of soldiers or police in the lonely mountain roads and then disappear, suddenly reappearing in some distant part of the country to renew their attacks.

Part of the time the fighting between the soldiers and Sinn Feiners in Tipperary county on Monday and Tuesday raged over an "eight mile front." The republicans were well supplied with arms and ammunition and the roar of battle sounded for many hours. Three times word was sent to police and troops barracks for reinforcements. One detachment was rushed to the scene in motor trucks from Kilkenny, thirry miles away. Finally the republicans were defeated by these superior numbers. The llying fied leaving numbers of dead and wounded behind.

More than thirty Sinn Feiners have been killed since the proclamation of martial law, according to an unofficial estimate.

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One man was killed and several others were wounded during a raid on the postoffice at Cork. While the raiders were emptying the funds into bags two black and tan cadets appeared on the scene and opened fire upon the robbers. The raiders returned the fire. One of the robbers was shot to death and one of the cadets and several civilian bystanders were wounded. It is reported that Gen. Tudor, cor-mander of the auxiliary police, h-been granted indefinite leave of a sence as a result of his attitude police reprisals.

Brussels. Dec. 22.—(A. P.)—Payment by Germany of 100.000.000 marks in gold remains the basis upon which experts and delegates to the second financial conference, in session here, are working. This amount although far below what was authorized by the treaty of Versailles is considered to be collectable only on condition that Germany is helped along the lines suggested by the German delegates.

Allied experts, in secret individual reports, the substance of which has come to light, recognize Germany's real necessities and delegates generally are impressed by arguments that Germany is an insolvent creditor, who must be maintained as a going concern. The extent to which strict fulfillment of the Versailles treaty may be waived, however, depends upon the allied governments, before which recommendations have been made by the various delegations.

Virtually none of the delegates believe the treaty can be executed literally, and allied experts agree with the Germans that reparations must be paid virtually none of the delegates be-lieve the treaty can be executed liter-ally, and allied experts agree with the Germans that reparations must be paid chiefly in kind. Some cash, however, will be demanded after a year or two,

if not immediately.

Today's meeting was really in preparation for the recess which will be taken until Jan. 10. Allied delegates planned to meet apart this afternoon for the purpose of exchanging views

will be reflected in reports to their overnment.
Delegates have been pledged to se-

crecy, but there is a general impression they will recommend that their governments permit Germany to keep some of the 350,000 tons of shipping she was ordered to surrender under the Versailles treaty. The United States is still regarded as the only banker who the amount of German property in America would probably be insufficient to meet the needs of Germany at the present time. The American dollar is mentioned frequently as a desired tandard in expressing reparation fig-ires. It is impossible for Germany to xport gold marks, and the dollar is considered the most stable unit at standard COLDER WEATHER

South Promised Touch of Real Winter.

Wastington, Dec. 22.—Cold wave warnings have been Issued for Missis-sippi and extreme southern Alabama, the weather bureau announced today.

#### FIRM OF BROKERS FAIL

New York, Dec. 21.—The failure of the stock exchange firm of Foster & Loundsory was amounced from the resterm of the stock exchange today. The first was admitted to the exchange in Jaly 1901.

#### The Golden Rule

Mr. Arthur Nash's splendid address on that subject to the Civitan club two weeks ago will be reprinted in full Thursday afternoon by The News. If you want to get the complete steno graphic report of his speech he sure to get your Thursday's News!

## STOCK MARKET **CLOSES STRONG**

Short Coverings Caused Some Sharp Upturns During Last Hour of Trading.

S. BONDS UNCHANGED

ng caused some sharp upturns in the last fifteen minutes. Most of the leading issues rose from 1 to 3 points from the low levels of the day. 3 keel common rallied 1 point to 77%. Cruchie Steel rose 3% points to 78%. Cruchie Steel rose 3% points to 78% and Baldwin Locomotive over 2 points to 80%. Southern Pacific, after dropping to 9%, rose to above 9% and Reading rose nearly 2 points to 76%. Mexican Petroleum rose nearly 5 points to 155% and improvement was shown in the other oil shares. Scars-Rochuck rallied nearly 4 points to 9%. Chandler Motors recovered from 50% to 63.

Government bonds unchanged; railway and other bonds steady.

Total sales of stocks today were 1,270,200 shares; bonds \$27,750,000.

#### COTTON BREAKS INTO. **NEW LOW-PRICE LEVEL**

New York, Dec. 22.—The cotton mar-ket today broke into new low ground for the season, with March selling down to 13.95 under heavy southern and Wall street offerings, based on weak spot markets and unsettled financial condi-

## UNCLE SAM'S SOIL

Prominent Mexicans Indicted for Planning Revolt Against

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 22.—(I. N. S.)—Two prominent Mexicans were under arrest today and the apprehension of others was expected as the result of federal indictments brought here yesterday, charging them with conspiracy to set on foot upon United States soil a military expedition against Mexico. Francisco Vasquez Gomez, an associate of Francisco Madero, when the latter was a candidate for the presidency, and Leon J. Taurel were arrested last night, Gomez securing his release on \$1,000 ball.

## **BORROWS \$1,000, CASHES**

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On arrival in Jacksonville the young man was introduced to Charles Day, manager of the Seminole hotel, as "the famous ace." Monday the young man went to St. Augustine, where he married Miss Francis G. Hannan under the name of Edward Rickenbacker and the news of the marriage was sent out all over the country. When the police learned Rickenbacker is in Los Angles they began to investigate, but the couple had departed, Farans left today for Mismi.

AMUSEMENT PIER BURNS Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 22.—The amusement pier at Venice, a seaside renort near here, was entirely de-stroyed by a fire which was not ex-tinguished until early today when fire-

is still regarded as the only banker who can furnish Germany with the necessary credit. Germany desires that property owned by their nationals nerelized to its owners. Some of the allies, however, are in favor of having it used as a basis of credit, although the amount of German property in America would probably be insufficient to meet the needs of Germany at the present time. The American dollar is present time. The American dollar is entire Venice water front.

#### **BODIES RECOVERED** Scranton, Pa., Dec. 22.—Four mer

were killed and two injured in an explosion today in the preasing and nucking mili of the Dupont Powder company
at Belin village, near Moosie, seven
miles from here. The force of the explosion was felt all over the Lackawanna valley. The plant is engaged in
handling commercial powder.

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#### OBREGON TO NAME PANI

son government of Maxico. the task of brieging about recognition of Mexico by the United States, according to sattley reaching Washington today from Mexico City.

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# MESSAGES CONDOLENCE Washington, Dec. 22.—Decretary of Commerce and Mrs. Alexander will leave Washington late today for Galling the body of their son, Lieut. Walter Alexander, who was killed late yesterday at Holing Blades of an air plane propeller. Burial will be made at Gallatin, the Alexander home. Messages condolence were leaved at the Alexander home today. Mashington, Dec. 22.—Decretary of Washington, Dec. 22.—The state department denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon persons freigned, it was officially announced that if American consular agents for such travelers unless they promise not to talk of Irish conditions after for such travelers unless they promise not to talk of Irish conditions after for such travelers unless they promise not to talk of Irish conditions after for such travelers unless they promise so entirely without the authority from the state department. Shot Through Body in Running Fight With Masked Fight With Masked Fight With Masked Washington, Dec. 22.—The state department denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon persons frestment denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon persons frestment denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon persons frestment denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon persons frestment denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon persons frestment denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon persons frestment denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon persons from the state department denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon persons from the state department and the first denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon persons from the state department denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon persons to returning to the United States from the state department denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon persons to returning to the United States from the state department denied today that any gas rule had been enforced upon pe

Fight With Masked Robbers. Picture.

CHAPTER OF CRIME NOT WANTED IN NEW YORK

Carlisle, Ind., Dec. 22.—Egra Latshaw, bookkeeper for the People's State bank here, is today suffering from a bullet wound through the body as a result of a running fight with two unmasked bandits who robbed the bank of more than \$500 after forcing bank employes and customers into the vault late yesterday. Latshaw, returning from the postoffice, witnessed the hold-up through a window. Latshaw was seen by the bandits who hastly forced the five persons in the institution into a narrow space within the vault, the inner door of which they were unable to force. The robbers seized loose cash and fied for an automobile, while Latshaw, who had obtained a rifle at a hardware store, opened fire. Latshaw was felled by the return fire. Perry Wolfe, a farmer, then fired six shots at the fugilives, one of whom is believed to bave been wounded.

ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec 22.—Mrs. William Kelly and Bertha Dunn, two young women who were arrested for shoplifting from a local store, attempted a bold escape from the city jail early this morning by setting fire to the building.

About 2 a.m. Patrol Driver Patton and Emergency Officer Eagan heard a noise as if some one was scraping at the wall in the rear of the lock-up. They investigated and found Mrs. Kelly on top of the radiator in the women's cell on the first floor attempties to the continuous c

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They took the woman in charge, and while passing through the hall hetween the office and the cells the officers smelled smoke coming from the second floor of the building. They trushed upstairs into the detention room where the Dunn girl was kept, and found the room in flames. The girl was attempting to dig her way out by means of a large screw which she had found in the wall.

The fire spread from the detention room to the third floor into the court-room and judge's office before firemen from the adjoining fire hall could extinguish the flames. The damage was estimated at \$3,000.

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City detectives who arround Mrs.

cstimated at \$3,000.

City detectives who arrested Mrs. William Kelly and Miss Bertha Dunn this week on a shoplifting charge showing their litinerary. The officers say the women have visited the following clifes: Kansas City, Joplin. Springfield, Mo.; Little Rock, Memphis. Birmingham. Montgomery, Macon, Atlanta, Chattanooga and Knoxville.

House Wrecked,

Tuscaloosa, Ala, Dec. 22—A house occupied by a negro nonunion miner at the Searles coal mine, of the Alabama company, was wrecked by dynamite last night, according to reports reaching the office of the sheriff here and the military guard on duty in the district. No one was injured.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 22.—The long list of hold-ups in Atlanta recently was accentuated last night by the murder of Carl Rappold, 44, a grocer at the corner of Sims and Mary streets, when three masked negroes attempted to rob the store. Rappold registed and he

INSOLVENT CREDITOR

Police Searching for Man Who
Allied Experts Recognize Necessities of Case—Former
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been first degree, and said the trial brought out "a horrible state of affairs existing in lower Burke and upper Ca-tawba counties." Dock Heffner was tawba counties." Dock Heffner wa given the light sentence because of hi youth.

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Appeal was taken by the defendants, whose bonds were set at \$8,000 each.

Charges of perjury will result from the trial, according to the solicitor.

Got \$9,400.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 22.—Three masked robbers held up the cashier of the Clio bank, Clio, Mich., near Detroit, today and escaped with \$9,400 in cash, according to telephone messages from cording to telephone messages from

Fint to the Detroit police.

Collector Held Up.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 22.—Armed bandis late today held up a collector for the Atlantic & Pacific tea stores and robbed him of \$2,400.

#### COAL RATES TO BE MATERIALLY LOWER

Knoxville, Dec. 22—(Special.)—Controm the Jellico and Coal Creek coal laids will be materially lowered, if the tecision on the coal case brought beoore the Tennessee railroad and public tilities commission by Chas. R. Mof-ett, manager of the Traffic bureau follow Mr. Muffett's expectation. Mr. Moffett asked that the commission adopt a basis of sixty-three cents on both steam and domestic coal from the Coal Creek fields, Jellico to be made the usual differential higher. He stated hat he felt reasonably certain that he commission will make a favorable lecision and that the rates for which he asked will go into effect in the comparatively near future.

#### MERELY SOCIAL VISIT Secy. Colby Tells Brazilians. Welcome Hearty.

Mio Janetro, Dec. 22-Bainbridge olby, American secretary of state, de clared here today he had not come Brazil to expound any theories, but eturn the visit to the United Stat of President Person. He declared he had come to convey some expression of American administration and satisfaction over the remarkable progress grazil has made.

The "untroken cordiality that has marked the relations of the two countries for more than a century," he said, make for mutual helpfuness."

While there was little demonstration public enthuslasm upon the arriv the secretary, newspapers say that a was due to the personal character

HOUK TO VISIT TAYLOR

Knoxylle, Deg. 22 - (Special r-Sentar John C. Hook is expected to visit Governor-elect Alf A. Taxlor soon. The proposed visit of Senator Hook, from all the gosaip that can be heard and assimilated on the political exchange, represents a symptom that appears to be appearent generally throughout the Hook-Evans-Littleton faction of the republican party, say political wise-acres. This symptom is one of a fearthat the Sanders-Hooper-Sells faction of the G. O. P. towards which Governor-elect Taylor is supposed to leave in sympathy, since it is through the rolltheal ranneuvers of this faction that it is balleved, he obtained his momination, will control all the state patronage.

PENSION BILL REPORTED

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in White Present Solemn

during the reco "White supremac" of the present ki mons declared la tolerated and the constituted autito enforcing the The klan recomparate the pradad Jackson-ville's downtown streets. At dusk klansmen in flowing white robes, their horzes covered to the ground in the white insignia of the order, rode up the main street. One blew a trumper sounding the wierd notes of the klansmen's assembly. Another announced as he rode along: "A band of solemn determined men will pass this way soon and they want no one to follow them." Then in a few moments a single file of probably two or three hundred of the white-robed figures, some holding aloft burning crosses, appeared in the street and marched silently and slowly over the city, while the crowds looked on.

The klansmen gathered among the trees of the city park as darkness fell. They stood there a few moments silently and in pe fect order. Then suddenly every light in the business section snapped out and the city was dark for four or the minutes. The lights were turned of as mysteriously as they were turned off and it was seen that all the klansmen had disappeared.

#### COTTON WAREHOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE

Nearly Two Hundred Bales of Cotton Burned or

Subject.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—(Special.)
—Failure of the house roads committee today to receive the report of the subcommittee approved to draft a bill authorizing federal aid for rural highways indicates the matter may be deferred to the session of congress. Representative Sells, chairman of the subcommittee, and a strong advocate of federal road construction, gave assurance from both the road committee and the republican steering committee that his bill would be acceptable, but when he made his report republican members of the committee with but one exception, voted solidly to defer action until Jan. 25. It was said that the steering committee was not yet ready to consider the matter.

Those who advocate the continuance of road construction threaten to turn their defeat into victory by amending some appropriation bill so as to include the necessary appropriations for road construction or a rider.

Sells maintains that it is not the purpose of the republicana to defeat the legislation and that he has assurance

ose of the republicana to defeat the affirmative action will be taken at this

#### SEVEN CHILDREN SHOCKED Bolt of Lightning Strikes Ala bama School House.

Trey, Ala., Dec. 22.—A lightning boldstruck the Spring Hill contolidates school seven miles from here this morning almost wrecking the building and seven children were severely shocked. Roy Benton, 17, was rendered unconscious. The force of the boit tore the youth clothes from his body and split the leather of the shocs on his feet.

#### HOPE OF RELIEF GONE Insurance Companies Prepare

to Leave Mississippi. Jackson Miss. Dec. 22 Cancellation of five insurance policies in Aliasiacippi appeared more likely today than at any time since the state revenue agent's \$2,000,000,000 antitrust suit was field against companies doing business in the fate Local unflerwriters, under orders to suspend all business are jooking for wholesale cancellations early pest week. All hope of securing relief through legislative revision having failed when flow. Russell amounteed that he would not call a should session of the legissture, the situation was described

#### INCREASE IN NEGROES

Washington, isec 22.—The neutro pro-nilation of Jacksenville, Fla., is 41.475 an increase of 12.186 or 41.6 per cent, the census bureau announced today. The white population is 50.031, an in-crease of 21.702, or 75.6 per cent, and all others 45.

The percy compission of Chester, Fla. The negro population of Chester, Pa is 7,199 an increase of 2,32%, or 48,5 pc cent, the census bureau announced to day. The white population is 10 524, a increase of 17.110, or 50.7 per cent, an all others 81.

#### MURDER AND SUICIDE

at the inquest over Omalia, and New At the Mexican embassy it was washington, Dec 71 Carrying \$14. A. Kelly, of Omaha, and New York, sted that although unofficial reports one one less than was appropriated for who killed Sophia Taylor, a calcaret this year, the annual pension bill was singer with whom he was infatuated, which office the United States has been reported out today by the house appropriate for the Country of the Sophia Taylor, a calcaret this year, the annual pension bill was singer with whom he was infatuated. The double propriations committee, The total in tragedy occurred in Misa Taylor's the bill is \$265,500,000.

## U. S. CLERKS

Government Employes Gathered Statistics for Bituminous Operators.

#### SECRETARY DEFENDS ACT

Vice-President Denies Cancel lation of Coal Contracts in Farmers Threaten to Lynch Past Nine Months.

He declared that statistics gathere

WILSON TO ACCOMPANY

Luncheon, as Is Custem on

Inauguration Day.

Frank Legrigni, Wife Washington, Dec. 23.—Clerks in the Vashington office of the United States ecological survey were paid \$400 and 450 monthly by the National Cond as-octation, an organization of bitumi-Murderer. sociation, an organization of bituminous coal operators, to gather coal statistics for the association, W. P. Reed its secretary, testified today before the senate reconstruction and production INQUEST POSTPONED Reed declared that officials of the as-sociation felt justified "in employing government clerks for such a purpose because there was no government ap-propriation at the time for work they did."

Genevieve Legrigni, schoolteacher, who was shot and killed by Frank Legrigni, her husband, because their work kept by the clerks for the association were of "inestimable value" not only to its them apart. members but to the railroads and the public generally. "Does your association attempt to influence legislation?" Senator Kenyon Only in this way." Morrow, isident of the association, re y furnishing information to its \*Fly furnishing information to its members about pending bills and by arreancing for the presentation of information to congressional committees and to senators and congressional committees and to senators and congressmen."

"De you maintain a lothy at Washinston." Senator Kenyon nursund.

"No, our board of directors has taken an emphatic stand aminst lothying in any sense of the meaning the term implies." Morrow replied.

Morrow said he had been associated with Dr. Harry A. Garfield, former fuel administrator during the war, being in charge of the division of distribution.

Crowd.

Charles Gifford. Bartlett township supervisor, late today notified Sheriff Peters at Chicago that the township would not be responsible for Legrigni's safety. "There will be something doing tonight." Gifford told Sheriff Peters, "unless Legrigni is removed from Bart

#### Cleared of Peach Kings' Murder

Widow and Other Defendants in Sensational Georgia Case En Route Home.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 22.—Free after a week's preliminary into the death last June 1 of Fred D. Shepard, his widow, and three other defendants who had been arrested and charged with having poisoned him, were back in their home today, or en route there.

Judge H. A. Matthews, of superior court, presiding at the hearing hore, declared shortly before 11 o'clock last night that there was nothing in the state's evidence to connect the defendants with the poisoning even if it were granted that death resulted from poison instead of from peritonitis as the defense claimed. He also said testimony of experts was conflicting as to

"I am satisfied that I have done my duty. What the future handling of the matter will be I have no opinion to express. It will be shaped largely by the unstances. circumstances.

#### SHOOT TO KILL, STERN ORDER TO N. Y. POLICE

New York, Dec 22.—"Shoot to kill" was the stern order given to twenty police sharpshooters who are patrolling this city today on the lookout for high-waymen and other desperate criminals.

Racing motor cars carry the sharpshooters so they can easily overhaul any bandlis who might attempt to escape in automobiles.

About 300 arrests were made during the night and early today in a series of raids in cabarets, dance halls and allinight restaurants. of the treaty of Versailles and did not indicate in any way what disposition he was prepared to make of it. The president. Mr. Turnulty said, stated in the course of this talk that he was not greatly interested in the witting of memoirs for any sufo-blography, as it was a form of literature which had never greatly appeared to him. It has been generally understood that when Mr. Wilson retires from office he will take up the preparation of a history of the World way.

#### PROBE WOMAN'S STORY Of U. S. Consul's Opposition

to Irish Inquiry. Washington, Dec. 22.—Charges made by Mrs. Annot 12. Robinson of Man-chester England, that American Consul Wells at Manchester had attempted to prevent her from coming to this country to testify before the commission of the commistee of one hundred investigating conditions in Ireland are to be investigated by the state department.

Officials said that Mr. Wells was a new appointee, and that if he had at first refused to vize the passport, as Mrs. Robinson testified yesterday before the commission here, he had exceeded his authority. Mrs. Robinson told the vised her passport, but that he had advised her passport, but that he had required of her a promise that she would not engage in "propaganda nor give interviews to the American press." prevent her from coming to this cot try to testify before the commiss

#### PREACHER KILLED

Rev. John R. Herndon, of Johnson City, Dead.

Chicago, Dec. 22—Frank Ligregal, Chicago chemists, who shot and killed his 20 year old wife because her em-ployment as a teacher kept the couple separated most of the time, today utcompted of escape trial by taking his haon City, Dec. 22.—Rev. John B Ligregial who was taken into custody by Elkin, Ill., police after he field to thet town from Hartlett, Ill., tied a handkerchief about his neck and sus-pended himself from the bars of his cell duit. A fellow prisoner summoned july officials and Ligregit was immeearly this morning according to advices received here by friends Mr. Heredon was shell 57 years of age and for a long period was pasfor of the First Freshylerian church of this city.

#### CITY JAIL EMPTIED VILLA IN NEW PLOT Gigantic Revolutionary Move-

Florence, Als. Dec. 22 Operial.— The city jult was empty after the sea-sion of the city court Tuesday. There were two prisoners, a one armed man and a young man from Birmingham. ment Under Way. and a young man from Birmingham, charged with gaming Mayor Incom-with a generous Christmas spirit, par-dened them but told them they had better my good-by to Florence and re-house where neighbors and friends might more readily overlook their faults. They promised to go. Ean Antonio, Tex. Dec. 22 — A gigante Mexican revolutionary plot, with
the name of Francisco Villa promitentily mentioned, was revealed today
by federal agents following the infiliatentils of Dr. Francisco Gomes, former
declean, vice-presidential candidate
and Leon J. Taurel, by a federal grand
ony on a charge of violating neutrality
aws.

#### CAPTURED WILDCAT STILL

INSURANCE COMPANIES

**CUT PREMIUMS 20 PCT.** 

Montgomery, Ala. Dec 22.—thying a their reason the low prices farmers re receiving for their cattle and hogs.

borna bave voluntarily cust their pre-milling about 20 per cent on five stock in transit, according to statements of F. O. Hooten, director of the state

TRIED TO KILL HIMSELF

Fellow Prisoner Saves Life of

Wife Murderer.

Agenta declared the arrests of Gomes, and Taurel are forerunners on a wholesate revolutionary center of the American side of the border. The plot they charged included efforts to fiont a 115.00,000 revolutionary bend issue.

Names of 100 leaders of the movement, including Villa, it was said, were captured in provious raids by federal agents. Other plotters were alleged to include forms government officials under the Carranza administration a former governor of Lower California and several efficials in the present Obregon administration.

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#### Cabinet Posts As Christmas Gifts?

Harding May Not Make Decision in Time-Montanan Urged for Place.

Marien, O., Dec. 22.—President-elect Harding has done most of his Christmas shopping, but he has a collection of gifts on his desk for which he has not yet selected recipients. Among these are ten lice, new cabinet portfolios. It is exceedingly doubtful, however, if he makes his decisions in time to silt a cabinet position into any of the many gaping Christmas stockings hung up in expectation.

The pressure of recommendation and

The pressure of recommendation growing stronger each day, although Senator Miles Poindexter is the first of the Harding visitors openly to an nounce that he came specifically thanke recommendations about a cabinet post.

strength was added to Poindexter's plea for Joseph Dixon of Montains, as secretary of the interior by the fact that Dixon is thoroughly familiar with reclamation work in the west, to which the new administration is pledged. He also is counted among the progressive wing of the republican party, recognition for which is desired.

Senator A. B. Fall, of New Mexico, it is intimated, undoubtedly could have the interior portfolio if he cared for it. He also was a Rooseveit supporter, and He also was a Roosevelt supporter, and would give the far west representation in the Harding official family. But Sentior Fall, it is known, wishes to become secretary of state and it is said as not yet been definitely eliminated for consideration for that post.

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for consideration for that post,

There seeps a consensus of opinion that Harry M. Daugherty will be named as attorney-general, that Will Hays will take on the task of reorganizing the postoffice department and that Henry Wallace will become secretary of agriculture. Much discussion has arisen regarding the possibility of including Senator Weeks, of Massachusetts, in the cabinet. One objection outlined here seems to be that the determination to have Vice-President-elect Coolidge sit as a cabinet officer without perifolio would give Massachusetts adequate representation. Weeks has been mentioned for both treasury, war and navy.

bution.

Morrow denied there had been any "general abrogation, repudiation or cancellation of soft coal contracts during the last nine months."

Senator Page, republican, of New Jersey, said the committee possessed much testimony that there had been a general abrogation of soft coal contracts. Senator New, of Indiana, it is known on the best authority, is disinclined to forsake the senate for the cabinet, but should be do so, the department of war is the only one he would consider. Representative Rahn, of California, is being urged for that post, and many, it is said, would approve the appointment of Senator Chamberlain, of Oregon, democrat, who failed for re-election.

tion.

Candidates for the post of secretary of labor are not particularly humerous. Horbert, Hoover is being advocated by those who know his close relations with both employers and employes.

John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, is regarded as a possibility, as is Representative Nolan, of California, who holds a union card and has sponsored much progressive labor legislation. said.

Morrow explained that such a con-tract was non-entorcible in cases of strike at the mines, difficulties in transportation or other "disturbances" HARDING TO CAPITOL

#### WILL ESTABLISH CLOSE And Back to White House for BLOCKADE OF FIUME

London, Dec. 22.—Italian government forces, commanded by Gen. Caviglia and Admiral Millo, have established a close blockade of Flume by land and sen, and it seemed possible today that fighting might be reported at any time. Not only has the city of Flume been isolated from the outside world, but the islands of Arbs. San Marços and Veglis, which recently were occupied by D'Annunzion legionaires, have been blockaded, Conditions of recognized gravity have arisen since Capt, Habriele D'Annunzion sunousced he would resist enforcement of the treaty of Rapallo. In answer to an utilimatum semt him by Gen. Caviglia, he has declared he will fight against enforcement of the treaty until his demands are met. Cotton Burned or Damaged.

Florence, Ala, Dec. 22—(Special.)—A fire thought to have been of incendiary origin was discovered last light 10 oclock in L. Kressman's warehouse on Pine street. Between 159 and 200 bales of cotton were burned or badly damaged, also a lot of farming minements. The cotton was partly linguisting and contents will amount to several thousand dollars.

RURAL ROAD ADVOCATES

WORRIED OVER PROJECT

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Immediately afterward President Wilson will retire to his new home on "S"
street to take up his life as a private
citizen after eight years in the White
House.

The continued steady improvement in
the president's health, according to
Secretary Timuity, will make the contemplated visit of the president with
President-elect Harding to the capitol
Dossible even in the event of the most
intemperate weather.

Mr. Tumuity said today that when
he visited the president vester-day he
found him in better spirits than at
any time since he was taken ill more
than a year are. The president and
his secretary discussed a variety of
topics, but Mr. Tumuity said the excentive did not bring up the subject
of the treaty of Versallies and did not
indicate in any way what disposition
he was prepared to make of it.

The president, Mr. Tumuity said.

NO TREE AT WHITE HOUSE

Washington. Dec. 22—11. N. 81—
With wreaths of overgreen and poinnettas suspended from the windows today, the White House took on its annual holiday appearance.

There will be no Christinas tree at
the White this year. The president and
Mrs. Wilsen will observe the day in a
very quiet manner, their plans including a quiet family dinner and a
long motor ride into the surreunding
rountry. The president's grandchildren, the little McAdoe and Sayres
will spend their Christinas at their
homes. Mr. and Mrs. McAdoo and
tred and Mrs. McAdoo and
tred and Mrs. Sayre will be guests at
the White House shortly after Christmas. Miss Margaret Wilson will be
the only yuletide house guest of the

#### LINE UP FOR BATTLE

Washington, the 22 The blueckers today fined up for a long frawn lattle in the courts to prevent a sceivership for their stock yards roperties. The government's plan to

## 105 PERSONS EXECUTED

London, Dec. 27 lots in Petrograd, to one were killed, 105 cuted." said a Central News disput-om Helsingfors today. The dispute which is not confirmed, said that work are precipitated disorders.



## TO VOTE BEFORE **ADJOURNMENT**

THREE CENTS

House Scheduled as to Fordney Emergency Tariff to Check Falling Prices.

PROPONENTS OPTIMISTIC

Development of Tax Revision Program Discloses Trend Favoring Sales Tax.

Washington, Dec. 22.—A vote before djournment was the schedule under high the house was working today in omidering the Fordney emergency wiff bill designed to check fulling the forday emergency therif bill designed to check falling prices on more than a score of farm products by virtually stopping their importation through heavy duties.

Adoption of a special rule yesterday silving the measure the right of way and limiting debate left no opportunity for amendments to include articles when the bill was called up today. Although expecting a hard fight, proponents of the measure declared that the majorty secured yesterday on the motion to suspend the business calendar Wednesday so as to bring the bill to a vote before adjournment insured its passage of the senate, where the fate of the measure was regarded as semewhat doubtful.

Tax Revision Program.

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Washington, Dec. 22.—Development of a tax revision program in congress although proceeding slowly has disclosed in the house a growing trend in favor of including some sort of sales tax in the next revenue legislation. The statement yesterday of Chairman Fordney, of the ways and means committee, in support of a sales tax, it was said today, had given impetus to the proposal.

sented arguments in taken a sales tax Mr. Kahn said that while a sales tax would be an experiment to an extent it was one which should be made. Several members of the committee declared his argument in favor of the proposal had been very convincing.

Committee members who are out and out against the sales tax and who described it as an economic crime assert that the arguments in its favor would that the arguments in its favor would

o committee lately has received s of the sales tax law of France, da, and the Philippines, which Mr. ney said, had been obtained as a upon which to work.

To Sound Home Sentiment,

To Sound Home Sentiment,
It was predicted today that developments over the holidays probably
would determine something approximating a definite attitude in the house.
Members will have had time to these
from home on the proposed tax when
hearings are resumed two weeks hence
and the real sentiment disclosed, it was
declared. solared.

After a brief hearing on tax questions this morning the ways and means committee planned to turn its attendent today to the battle in the house he Fordney emergency tarin bill

ver he Fordney emergency \$1,30 for Chops Instead 65c. \$1,30 for Chops Instead 55c.

The man who complains because he is charged 65 cents for two mutten chops will pay \$1,30 for them if the Fordney bill is adopted, said Representative Madden, republican, lilinois, who declared he saw nothing in the measure that would help to reduce the coat of living.

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"Adopt this bill, "he added, "and find what will happen when you go into a tailor shop or a store to buy a suit of clothes. They will tell you a newtariff on wool is in effect, and a suit will cost you just 100 per cent more than the price charged today."

Preliminary Skirmishes.

There were several preliminary skirmishes which made it apparent that party lines would not figure in passage of the measure. The alignment promised to be the producing areas of the south and west against the east and other consuming communities.

Chairman Fordney, in opening the debate, said the committee had been criticised for not including more items in the emergency bill, but that it had realized that there was no possibility of putting the bill through at this session of congress if attempts were made to include everything wanted by everybody.

"The committee made an houset ofoffen products and rice. Renator Harrison, democrat of Missis-lppi, who has announced his intention

cat of Missis-his intention watched the in the house. The committee made an honest ef-fort to provide relief for farmers and included those products which are caus-tomatical losses," said be-

#### PEANUT MEN IN DANGER Urge Southern Senators to

Support Tariff. properties. The government's plan to have the court hame trustees to take over and sell the stock yards was resisted by pleas that to take such a course would defeat the public interest by inaggurating a system of judical control sees private industry. He professions send to take such a course would defeat the public interest by inaggurating a system of judical control sees private industry. He port of southern senators and representatives to the provisions of the profession southern senators and representatives to the provisions of the profession to the proposed tariff on pennuts. The delegation said that the proposed tariff on pennuts. The delegation said that the proposed tariff on pennuts and 26 cells a gallon on pennut oil as continuates for the procedity and the provisions of the trustees for the procedity and the provisions of the trustees for the procedity and the provisions of the trustees for the procedity and the provisions of the provisions

> RAISES STREET CAR RATES Mongamery, Ala. Dec. 22.—The Ala-

#### MUST FACE TRIAL

Oursey, for the return to Growth on W. F. Herrick, wanted in Coth county on a charge of embezziement, said to amount to \$50,000, from the Acworth rotton mills, of which he was general manager and electrics treasurer, fieterick was arrested a few days ago at Columbia & C. after a nationwide search. According to records received. search Association to release received on Cohomic dressed as a trient and end an especial to reach his wife there spend the balldays.